

## Important News Events of the World Summarized

### European War News

Lieut. William Shaw, an American member of the French air corps, shot down a Fokker machine at Verdun. It was announced by the war office. He was wounded in the arm.

Austrian troops have stormed and captured the strongly fortified Italian positions at Chies, 21 miles northwest of Vicenza, after a three-day battle. It was officially announced at Vienna.

Eighteen persons were killed and a score of others injured in an air raid on Bari, on the Italian Adriatic coast, according to a Reuter dispatch from Rome. The victims were largely women and children, the dispatch says.

The repulse of three counterattacks by the French on the village of Cumieres, west of the Meuse, on the Verdun front, was announced by the war office at Berlin. The capture of additional French trenches southwest and south of Fort Donnemont, and the recapture of the Handremont quarry by the Germans, are also reported.

An Italian shell has blown up the largest munition depot at Rovereto and the town is now in flames, according to a news dispatch to Paris from Rome. Several heavy guns were destroyed by the explosion.

The entente allies have occupied the railroad station at Florina, south of Monastir, according to a Saloniki dispatch to Paris. The Germans have bombarded the village of Potholes, south of Doiran.

Along the Isonzo front the Italians have made prisoners of Bulgarians, showing that Bulgars have joined the Austrians in their present offensive, says a dispatch from Rome.

The house of commons at London passed the \$1,500,000,000 credit added by Premier Asquith for war purposes. The credit voted by the commons brings the total since the war began up to \$11,900,000,000.

### Domestic

By a vote of 434 to 300, the Methodist Episcopal general conference at Saratoga Springs, N. Y., refused to lift the ban on amusements.

Almost without a dissenting vote the general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church held at Saratoga Springs, N. Y., went on record as favoring woman suffrage.

Dr. Abram W. Harris, president of Northwestern university, was elected secretary of the board of education by the Methodist general conference at Saratoga, N. Y.

Barred in a houseboat on the edge of San Francisco bay, a desperado was shot to death by policemen, who surrounded his lair after he had killed a police sergeant.

Margaret Moreland, fifth wife of Nat Goodwin, is seriously ill at St. Elizabeth's hospital in New York, where she underwent an operation. Miss Moreland was formerly an actress in Mr. Goodwin's company.

Dr. Arthur W. Waite was called to the witness stand in his own defense in his trial at New York for the murder of his father-in-law, John E. Peck, a wealthy drug manufacturer of Grand Rapids, Mich. Waite's narrative virtually became a story of thievery.

Jack Verhoye, a nineteen-year-old boy, is alleged to have confessed to the police that he lured Gwendolyn Holden, fifteen years old, into an unused room in her home at Aurora, Ill., and choked her to death.

Maj. Robert T. Moton, a negro of unmixed blood, was installed at Tuskegee, Ala., as principal of Tuskegee institute, founded by Booker T. Washington for the uplift of the colored race.

Lieut. James Vincent Rockwell was killed when a navy aeroplane he was piloting dived into the Gulf at Pensacola, Fla. His three little children saw him fall. Rockwell was born in Indiana and appointed to the service from Iowa.

Mrs. Anna Dollie Ledgerwood Matters and her codefendants, Charles S. Mellon and Harry Edwards, were found not guilty of attempting to foster a false heir upon the Probate court at Chicago. The jury was out two hours and forty minutes.

The condition of James J. Hill was reported as "satisfactory" by Dr. James S. Gillilan of St. Paul, who, with Dr. William James Mayo of Rochester, Minn., made a careful examination of the aged railroad builder at Mr. Hill's residence in St. Paul.

### Mexican Revolt

A short sharp battle between a force of American army engineers and a gang of Mexican bandits under Cervantes, one of Pancho Villa's most trusted lieutenants, was fought south of Cruces. Three Americans were wounded, one so badly that he died, and two of the bandits were killed, several wounded and the band scattered. Among those killed was Cervantes himself.

General Funston electrified the military camp at Fort Sam Houston with orders to proceed to the border as quickly as possible.

A note from the de facto government of Mexico to the government of the United States, demanding the immediate withdrawal of the American troops from Mexico, was dispatched to Washington. The note states the Mexican people do not want war with the United States, but they are ready for war rather than to have their national honor and sovereignty trampled on.

### Foreign

An Amsterdam dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company at London says that 13 women were wounded in a fight between police and food rioters at Frankfurt-on-the-Main, according to a dispatch received at The Hague. The riot started owing to a shortage of meat.

The Greek cabinet has resigned, says a dispatch from Athens. The resignation of the ministry was brought about by growing political unrest over conditions imposed upon Greece by the war.

The rumor in circulation abroad that Prince von Buelow, former German chancellor, is going on a special mission to Washington is officially denied at Berlin.

The signature of King George was affixed to the military service bill recently passed by parliament in London. The bill exempts Irish.

John MacNeill, president of the Sinn Fein volunteers and professor of law in the National university, was found guilty of complicity in the Irish uprising by a court-martial at Dublin. He will be sentenced later in the week.

Miss Stillmann, an American instructor at Roberts college, who had been imprisoned at Warnemunde for carrying a secret code, has been released and is departing for America. Ambassador Gerard stated at Berlin.

The Exchange Telegraph company at London says it learns from diplomatic circles that Prince von Buelow, former German chancellor, is proceeding to Washington, charged by Emperor William with a special mission.

### Personal

Katherine Harkins Sullivan, wife of John L. Sullivan, once heavyweight champion, died of cancer at Boston, Mass.

Most Rev. Joseph Ferguson Peacock, archbishop of Dublin from 1897 to 1915, is dead. He was born in Queens county, Ireland, in 1835.

Meyer Livingston, the well-known theatrical man and treasurer of the firm of Klaw & Erlanger, died suddenly of heart disease at New York.

### Washington

In a note to the British and French governments, made public at Washington, President Wilson calls on the allies to cease at once their interference with American mails, which is proving so costly to Americans and in many instances profitable to British business interests.

The house military affairs committee at Washington has completed the army pay bill, which will carry a total of about \$150,000,000 for the year beginning July 1, or about \$49,000,000 more than the last bill.

Reversing his previous decision, Secretary Baker announced at Washington that the 116 members of the Texas National Guard who failed to present themselves for muster into the federal service will be brought to court-martial immediately under the present law.

The \$43,000,000 rivers and harbors bill was practically doomed in the senate at Washington when, on a test vote, the filibusters won 30 to 29.

The house at Washington passed the Oregon-California land grant bill by a vote of 186 to 6. No roll call was demanded. The measure reverts in the government title to all of the unsold portion of the original grant of land to the Oregon & California railroad, of which the Southern Pacific is successor.

Vigorous language almost equalling that employed in the last communication to Germany on the submarine issue, is understood to characterize the notes delivered to the British and French embassies at Washington, protesting against interference with neutral mails.

The army appropriation bill, carrying \$145,000,000 and including provision for carrying out the Hay-Cham-berlain reorganization bill, was agreed to by the house military committee at Washington.

## PECK MURDERER QUICKLY CONVICTED

SAID THE TRIAL WAS A FARCE SHOULD NOT HAVE LASTED OVER ONE HOUR.

### VERDICT JUST SAID WAITE

The Prisoner On the Stand Had Frankly Admitted His Guilt And Told the Method of Murder.

New York.—When the case of Dr. Arthur Warren Waite, on trial for the murder of his wealthy father-in-law, John E. Peck, of Grand Rapids, Mich., went to the jury at 1:23 p. m. Saturday the end of a most remarkable career of crime was near. The jury was out just one hour and twenty-three minutes. Waite on the stand had told of his career of thievery and frankly stated that he murdered Mr. and Mrs. Peck, and intended to murder his wife who had testified against him. The verdict of guilty was in strict observance of the judge's charge. While the justice had not commented upon the evidence at all it was believed by many in the courtroom that his expounding of the law had demolished the defense of "moral insanity," the one hope there was for acquittal. He had declared that the law did not recognize such defenses as neither that nor "moral depravity," "moral perversion," "abnormality" or anything of the kind could save a man.

The only test would be the legal definition of a defense of insanity. "Did the man know and appreciate the nature and quality of his act and did he know that it was wrong? If he had known that he bought arsenic as arsenic, that it would likely kill Mr. Peck and that he might be apprehended, he knew the nature, quality and consequences of his deed." Waite received the verdict coolly and made this comment: "I don't see what in h— kept them so long. I could have decided it in 15 minutes. The whole thing was a farce. The trial ought not to have lasted more than an hour altogether." Later he said that the verdict was just and that he was ready to go to the electric chair at any moment.

Mrs. Clara Peck Waite said to a court attendant on hearing the verdict: "God's will be done."

Waite refused to see his father after the verdict. When he reached the Tombs his first act was to have himself taken to his cell, where he ordered coffee and cake. He was eating when word came that his father was down below and wanted to see him.

"Oh, what is the use?" he exclaimed. "It will do no good. Father is a good, Christian man; he knows I have done wrong and must pay the penalty; what good can come of my interview?"

He continued his meal without thinking, apparently, of the incident again.

### PLANE DROPPED IN THE LAKE

Witnessed By 20,000 Persons As Two Struggle for Life in Reed's Lake.

Grand Rapids—"Bud" Morris, instructor in the Grand Rapids school of aviation, an adjutant of the Grand Rapids Business Men's battalion, and Miss Mary Clark, a prominent society girl of Grand Rapids, narrowly escaped death when a hydro-plane, in which they were flying over Reed's Lake, fell and both passengers were carried into the lake in the wrecked machine. Both swam to safety. The fact that the machine fell from a comparatively low altitude is all that saved their lives.

The accident was witnessed by 20,000 persons who thronged the big amusement park to witness the first flights of the two big planes which are to be used in teaching the business men soldiers the art of flying.

### NEWS BRIEFS.

Auto speeders and traffic rule violators in Detroit will be committed to jail say the police justices, instead of being fined.

Michigan pensions granted: Melissa Gurin, Adrian, \$12; Harriet V. Hulett, Durand, \$12; Genette Reed, Spring Lake, \$12; Nancy A. Seelye, Flint, \$12; Rebecca Staples, Whitehall, \$12.

About 1,900 Michigan men must be disappointed in their desire to see the Republican national convention in Chicago, out of fully 2,000 who have made eager effort to get tickets. One hundred is the largest number it ever was possible to accommodate, and the 100 have already received the coveted tickets.

Joe Bodner has been arrested in Cleveland. He is the alleged accomplice of Frank Melner, alias Harry Weiss, of Detroit, who fled from Grand Rapids, a Muskegon Heights meat dealer, of \$15,000 some months ago on the suit case game.

Railroads are planning a 50 per cent increase in Michigan resort traffic this year owing to the war abroad. Traverse City, Muskegon, Lake Harbor, Pentwater, Sylvan Beach, Lakewa Beach, Saugatuck, Interlachen and Northport all report the heaviest advance registrations in history.

## MICHIGAN NEWS BRIEFS

Annabelle Bondrie, 9 years old, of Monroe, died of lockjaw as the result of stepping on a rusty nail.

One thousand persons attended the "dry" rally in Muskegon when the flying squadron of the state anti-saloon forces visited the city.

Theodore Rumbaugh of Three Rivers, a civil war veteran 76 years old, claims the distinction of being the oldest school examiner in the country.

The Holstein Friesian association, composed of 8,000 cattle breeders in all parts of the country, will hold its annual convention in Detroit June 7.

An aggravated case of chicken pox erroneously diagnosed as smallpox, caused excitement in Adrian, and an officer of the state board of health was called.

Congress is expected to vote favorably upon a proposition to buy a site for a new post office in Marshall. The office has been a first class of office for 20 years.

Robert Mikels, 14 years old, has enlisted in the Canadian overseas expeditionary army, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ovis Mikels, are doing their best to arrange his release.

Michigan college women will march in the suffrage parade at Chicago, June 7, in honor of the fact that their state was the first to open the doors of its university on equal terms to women.

A number of Detroit suffrage leaders will go to Chicago June 4 on a special train to present to the convention of the "Woman's Party" the needs and desires of the suffrage followers in Michigan.

According to annulment action for a divorce granted a Battle Creek man, he served the papers on his mother instead of his wife. The action was not contested, but now that his wife has learned of the divorce she has instituted action to have it set aside.

Flowers frozen by liquid air, eggs fried on a cake of ice by electricity, a ball which floated without visible means of support or air currents, and a bottle from which poured a continual stream of liquid were features of the recent exhibit of the engineering department of the University of Michigan.

The annual senior reception will be held June 26. For the first time in the history of the University of Michigan it will be informal, and sport coats and flannels will be worn. For the first time the dance will also be staged off the campus, the armory having been chosen instead of the gymnasium.

Former Mayor Ellis of Grand Rapids, will carry his contest on the recent election into the courts. The recount proceeding under direction of the council has given him a gain of three votes in 16 of the 41 precincts, including the one in which Ellis alleged so many fraudulent registrations of Calvin college students.

Snake killing is becoming quite a pastime in Allegan county this spring. Leo Decker, nine years old, killed a rattlesnake by jumping on it after it had struck at him in the woods. He secured the dead rattles and button as a trophy. Mrs. Clara Gorton, another Allegan county resident, killed a blue racer four feet long which she found sunning itself on her porch.

John N. Anhalt, former state senator from the Fourth district, Detroit, and promoter of the defunct Anhalt Motor Co., who, in May, 1913, was sentenced to from two to four years in Sing Sing prison for offering a bribe of \$20,000 to Superintendent Russell, of Matteawan asylum to allow Harry K. Thaw, slayer of Stanford White, to escape from the institution, was paroled from prison Thursday.

Daily outdoor exercise will be a part of the routine at the county jail during the pleasant weather, according to Sheriff Oakman, of Wayne county, who supervised the first ball game of the season Wednesday, in which many of the inmates took part. The sheriff maintains that the jail is not a prison and consequently more liberty should be allowed the men than if they were criminals.

Lee H. Pryor, head of the corporation department of the secretary of state's office, has his troubles, but it was not until recently that he says the extreme limit was reached. A certain party in upper Michigan applied some time ago for incorporation blanks for a cemetery. They were sent and answer came back thus: "I want to get a blank to incorporate a cemetery for myself," said the letter.

Arthur Stephenson, a Bay City messenger, was run down by an automobile nearly three years ago and suffered a crushed leg. Despite an operation here and treatments at Ann Arbor, including the use of a portion of the bone of the other leg for a splice, the injured bone did not heal, and Stephenson never recovered the use of his leg. Recently it had to be amputated and two rusted shingle nails were found in the edge of the wounded bone.

Gov. Ferris announces that Edward Clarke Austin, his executive clerk, will succeed Maj. William P. Niblett, as his private secretary on July 1, when the major becomes postmaster at Big Rapids.

A Detroit coroner is attempting to learn the identification of a young woman who died in West Side sanitarium, from epilepsy. She entered the hospital May 23, giving her name as Mabel Clark, 33 years old, of Ecorse. She said she wanted a good rest and paid for her room four weeks in advance.

## SERBIAN ARMY ARRIVES SALONKI

RE-EQUIPPED AND RE-ORGANIZED AT CORFU; SAFELY CROSSES AEGEAN SEA.

### BULGARIANS ENTER GREECE

New Army of Serbians Reported to Be 100,000 Officers and Men.

London.—The new Serbian army has arrived at Saloniki from the island of Corfu after safely crossing the Aegean sea, despite the menace of Austro-German submarines, to join with the Anglo-French forces in the long-expected campaign to drive the Austro-German-Bulgarian hosts out of Serbia. At the same time the Bulgarian army has invaded Grecian Macedonia and despite the protests of Greece has occupied strong strategic positions along the Struma river, apparently the better to prepare to resist the offensive of the Allies, which begin at almost any hour. Information regarding these movements came to London in various dispatches and for the first time since the Austro-Germans began their drive into Serbia focused military and political attention in the Balkans.

The arrival of the Serbian army at Saloniki was reported in a wireless dispatch received in Paris and transmitted to London. The dispatch said the Serbian army, in full strength, had landed after crossing the sea from the island of Corfu without loss. The Serbian army is variously estimated to number between 80,000 and 100,000 officers and men. It was re-organized and re-equipped at Corfu, 700 miles by water from Saloniki.

The first news of the Bulgarian invasion of Grecian Macedonia was contained in a dispatch from Athens to the Exchange Telegraph company here, stating that the French headquarters in the Balkans announced that the Bulgarians had occupied the Greek forts of Rupel, Dragotin and Spatovo, and were advancing from Demir-Hissar, southeast of Strumnitza, toward Kavala.

The Greek forts Rupel and Dragotin are, respectively, six and nine miles north of the town of Demir-Hissar, while Spatovo fort lies four miles east of that town. Kavala, on which the Bulgarians are said to be marching, is a seaport on the Aegean sea, 55 miles in an air line southeast of Demir-Hissar.

### POST INHERITANCE TAX

Court to Determine Legal Residence of the Deceased Millionaire.

Battle Creek.—A jury has been obtained and the taking of testimony started before Judge North in circuit court in the appeal of the state of Michigan from the decision in the probate court in the inheritance tax case of the C. W. Post estate. The issue turns upon the question of the legal residence of the late Mr. Post, who for a number of years claimed Washington, D. C., as his residence. His estate paid the inheritance tax to the state of Michigan upon the showing of Washington residence. The state, through the attorney general, has sought to have declaration made that he was a resident of Michigan. Upon hearing of the issue in probate court some months ago Probate Judge Porter upheld the claim that Mr. Post was a resident of Washington.

### TELEGRAPHIC FLASHES

Senator Charles A. Townsend, of Michigan, opposed an unsuccessful attempt by Senator Shafroth, of Colorado, to incorporate in the rivers and harbors appropriation bill an amendment compelling "local interests" benefited by improvements to pay at least 20 per cent of the cost.

Washington.—Pensions will cost the American people \$6,000,000 less this year than last under the annual pension bill, as reported by the appropriations committee. The total is \$158,065,000, two and one-half millions less than the estimates submitted.

John Anhalt, who in the 32 years he has lived has seen many sides of life, rising from the position of bell-boy to the presidency of an automobile company, sitting in the senate at Lansing when only 26 years old, and for the past two years serving a term in Sing Sing prison, growing out of a charge that he tried to bribe the superintendent of Matteawan asylum to allow Harry Thaw to escape, is coming back to his old home town, Detroit.

Douglas, Ariz.—Gen. P. Elias Calles, commander of the de facto Mexican forces in Sonora, has appealed to Washington to raise the war munitions embargo applying to implements used alike for war and peaceful pursuits.

London.—The Dutch government has decided to send a strong note to Berlin, saying that the German version of the torpedoing of the Dutch steamer Tubantia cannot be accepted and holding Germany responsible for it, says a dispatch to the Daily Mail from Rotterdam.

## MARKET QUOTATIONS

Live Stock

DETROIT.—Cattle: Receipts, 1,554. Best handy steers, \$9@9.50; best handyweight butcher steers, \$8.50@8.75; mixed steers and heifers, \$7.75@8.50; handy light butchers, \$7.50@8; light butchers, \$7@7.50; best cows, \$7.50@8.50; butcher cows, \$6@7; common cows, \$5@5.75; canners, \$4.50@4.50; best heavy bulls, \$7@7.50; bologna bulls, \$6.25@6.75; stock bulls, \$5@6; feeders, \$7.50@8.25; stockers, \$6@8; milkers and springers, \$4@8.

Calves—Receipts, 1,478. Good ones brought \$11.25@11.50, and medium and common from \$7@10.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 3,390. Best lambs, \$10.50@10.75; fair lambs, \$9.75@10; light to common lambs, \$8@9; fair to good sheep, \$7@7.50; culls and common, \$5@6.

Hogs—Receipts, 11,662. Yorkers and heavy, \$9.50 to \$9.65 with bulk of sales at \$9.65. Pigs, \$8.75 to \$9.

EAST BUFFALO.—Receipts of cattle, 140 cars; market 15¢ to 25¢ higher; choice to prime native steers, \$9.75@10.50; good to choice, \$9.25@9.75; fair to good, \$8.75@9; plain and coarse, \$8.25@8.50; Canadian steers, 1,300 to 1,400 lbs., \$9.50@9.75; do 1,250 to 1,350 lbs., \$9.25@9.50; yearlings, dry-fed, \$9.50@10; best handy steers, \$8.75@9.15; light butcher steers, \$8.50@8.75; good butcher steers and heifers, \$8.50@9; steers and heifers, fair to good, \$7.50@8; western light common heifers, \$7@7.50; best heavy fat cows, \$7.75@8; fancy, \$8.25; butcher cows, \$6.50@7.25; cutters, \$5@5.50; canners, \$4@4.25; fancy bulls, \$7.50@8.25; butcher bulls, \$7.25@7.75; common bulls \$6@6.50; good stockers, \$5@5.25; light common stockers, \$4.50@7; feeders, \$8.25@8.50; milkers and springers, \$7@9.

Hogs: Receipts, 90 cars; market 10¢ lower; heavy, \$10.30@10.35; yorkers, \$10.25; pigs and lights, \$9.50@9.75.

Sheep and lambs: Receipts, 50 cars; market 15¢ higher; top lambs, \$11.25@11.40; yearlings, \$9.75@10.25; wethers, \$9@9.25; ewes, \$8.25@8.75.

Calves: Receipts, 1,500; market strong; tops, \$12; fair to good, \$10.50@11.50; fed calves, \$4.75@5.50.

### Grains, Etc.

DETROIT.—Wheat: Cash No 2 red, \$1.16; July opened with an advance of 1-4¢ at \$1.16 1-2, advanced to \$1.17 1-4 and closed at \$1.17; September opened at \$1.17 1-4 and advanced to \$1.18; No 1 white, \$1.11.

Corn—Cash No 3, 71¢; No 3 yellow, 73¢; No 4 yellow, 71¢@72¢.

Oats—Standard, 44¢; No 3 white, 43¢ asked; No 4 white 41¢@42¢.

Rye—Cash No 2, 97¢.

Beans—Immediate and prompt shipment, \$4; June, \$4.05.

Seeds—Prime red clover, \$8.85; prime alsike, \$9.25; prime timothy, \$3.70.

Hay—No 1 timothy, \$22.50@23; standard timothy, \$21.50@22; light mixed, \$21.50@22; No 2 timothy, \$19@20; No 1 mixed, \$16@16.50; No 2 mixed, \$11@12; No 1 clover, \$13@14; rye straw, \$7.50@8; wheat and oat straw, \$6.50@7 per ton in car lots, Detroit.

Flour—In one-eight paper sacks, per 100 lbs. jobbing lots: First patent, \$6.50; second patent, \$6.20; straight, \$5.80; spring patent, \$6.80; rye flour, \$6 per bbl.

Feed—In 100 lb. sacks, jobbing lots: Bran, \$24; standard middlings, \$25; fine middlings, \$26; cracked corn, \$33; coarse cornmeal, \$32; corn and oat chop, \$29 per ton.

### General Market's.

Lemons—California, \$3.75@4.25 per box.

Cocoanuts—\$7.50 per sack and 90¢ @ 81¢ per doz.

Strawberries—\$2.50@3 per 24-quart case.

Pineapples—Florida, \$2.75@3 per case and \$1.25@1.75 per doz.

Oranges—California navel, \$3@3.75 per box; Valencia, \$3.50@4 per box.

Apples—Baldwins, \$3@3.50; Steele Reds, \$4@4.50 per bbl; western, \$1.75@2 per box.

Nuts—Spanish chestnuts, 10¢ per lb; sheikark hickory, \$1.50; large hickory, \$1.25 per bu; walnuts, \$1.25 per bu.

Mushrooms—30¢@35¢ per lb.

Cabbage—New, \$4@4.25 per crate.

Asparagus—Illinois section, \$1.25@1.35 per box.

Celery—Florida, \$2.85@3 per crate and 90¢@1 per doz.

Potatoes—Carlots on track, \$1.20@1.25 for white per bu.

Maple Sugar—New, 15¢@16¢ per lb; syrup, \$1.25@1.30 per gal.

Tomatoes—Hothouse, 20¢@22¢ per lb; Florida, \$4.25@4.50 per crate.

Dressed Calves—Best, 15¢; good, 13 1/2¢@14¢; ordinary, 12¢@13¢ per lb.

Tallow—No 1, 8¢; No 2, 7¢.



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